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**MIDLAND PATHOLOGIST SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON
FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced today that in Midland, U.S. District Judge Robert Junell sentenced Dr. Morgan C.D. Dyer to 37 months in federal prison for possessing visual depictions of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

In addition, Judge Junell ordered that Dr. Dyer pay a \$15,000 fine, register as a sex offender and be placed under supervised release for a period of three years after completing his prison term.

On January 12, 2005, a federal jury convicted Dr. Dyer of one count of possession of child pornography. Testimony during the trial revealed that Dr. Dyer had purchased child pornography from an Odessa, Texas, distributor. In November 2003, investigators with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement interviewed Dr. Dyer at his residence in Midland during which time he consented to a search and seizure of his computer and related media. Subsequently, authorities discovered that a "zip disk" belonging to Dr. Dyer contained numerous images of prepubescent children engaged in lascivious exhibition of genitalia.

In October 2003, the Odessa distributor, Gordon Wood, pled guilty to using the United States Mail to distribute child pornography. He is currently serving a 46-month federal prison sentence.

"Children are our most precious resource and the key to our future. Those who possess and distribute child porn victimize and re-victimize the most vulnerable of today's society. It cannot and will not be tolerated," stated United States Attorney Johnny Sutton.

Assistant United States Attorney Sandra Becker prosecuted this case for the government.

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